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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE
DEPUTY DIRECTOR
EXECUTIVE FOR A & M

1. For your information, the undersigned recently took up the subject of Loyalty Investigations with the FBI through Mr. De Loach. I explained that this agency would like to know when the FBI initiated a loyalty investigation on one of our employees in cases where CIA itself has not requested same. I also requested that when such a loyalty investigation either requested by us or initiated by the Bureau begins to uncover serious derogatory information against an employee, that we be privately informed in order that we can take any necessary security measures.

2. The following general reply is of significance and I think will satisfactorily meet our needs:

"The Bureau has completed all "incumbent loyalty investigations" in the CIA."

"If at any time we wish to know of a loyalty investigation in progress, Mr. De Loach will help us through either myself or [REDACTED]"

3. The above means to me that the FBI will not institute loyalty investigations on the many employees in FBIB who have in the past had derogatory loyalty charges in their files, except at our request. This is a very good thing in this case, in that these employees have been fully "applicant investigated" by the FBI before and any more re-investigations without the discovery of new information would give the appearance of a witch hunt by both CIA and FBI. As you know, many of the charges against present FBIB employees were originated through malice by co-employees.

4. I think this is a very satisfactory arrangement, and one which so far as I know, has not been offered to other departments and agencies. We must, of course, regard this arrangement as an "Eyes Alone" matter.

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